DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2023-SCC-0126]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs Final Performance Report

AGENCY: Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Department is proposing a revision of a currently approved information collection request (ICR).

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests should be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice. Click on this link www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain to access the site. Find this information collection request (ICR) by selecting "Department of Education" under "Currently Under Review," then check the "Only Show ICR for Public Comment" checkbox. Reginfo.gov provides two links to view documents related to this information collection request. Information collection forms and instructions may be found by clicking on the "View Information Collection (IC) List" link. Supporting statements and other supporting documentation may be found by clicking on the "View Supporting Statement and Other Documents" link.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Caroline Chung, (202)-987-1434.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate

Programs Final Performance Report

OMB Control Number: 1840-0782

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved ICR

Respondents / Affected Public: State, local, and Tribal governments

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 172

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 11,180

Abstract: The purpose of this information collection is to determine whether recipients of

Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) have

made substantial progress towards meeting the objectives of their respective projects, as

outlined in their grant applications and/or subsequent work plans. In addition, the final

report will enable the Department to evaluate each grant project's fiscal operations for the

entire grant performance period, and compare total expenditures relative to federal funds

awarded, and actual cost-share/matching relative to the total amount in the approved

grant application. This report is a means for grantees to share the overall experience of

their projects and document achievements and concerns, and describe effects of their

projects on participants being served; project barriers and major accomplishments; and

evidence of sustainability. The report will be GEAR UP's primary method to

collect/analyze data on students' high school graduation and immediate college enrollment rates.

The form has been revised to include additional questions collecting data on the scholarship component that is required by statute.

Dated: November 16, 2023.

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